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SUBJECT: DEMARCHE: ISRAEL'S MEMBERSHIP IN CONSULTATIVE
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1. (SBU) We presented reftel demarche on November 4 to Turkish MFA International Political Organizations Head Murat Ates, who noted that Turkey had supported Israel's inclusion in the Western Europe and Others Group in New York in 2000, as well as during the 2004 membership renewal. Ates wanted to check with colleagues in the MFA regarding Turkey's official position on including Israel in the World Intellectual Property Organization, the International Labor Organization's Industrial Market Economy Countries group, the UN Environmental Program, UN-HABITAT and the Commission on Narcotic Drugs. Ates promised to advise us regarding the MFA's position on this issue.

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